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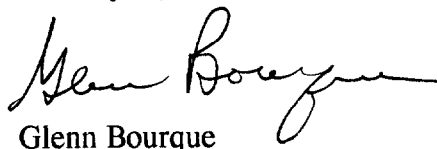
Commissioner Jane E. Henney
Food & Drug Administration
5600 Fishers Lane
Rockville, MD 20857

Dear Commissioner Henney:

Livestock producers routinely add antibiotics to animal feed to promote growth and preventively hinder infections caused by overcrowding and inadequate care these animals receive. This is a primary cause for bacterial resistance to antibiotics; in addition, there are natural, healthier, safer and more humane ways to raise livestock.

The European Union has sensibly banned antibiotics used by humans from animal feed, a decision supported by the Centers for Disease Control and the World Health Organization. Please do what you can to prohibit livestock producers from routinely "medicating" livestock with medicated feed.

Thank you,



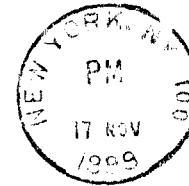
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